January 2019

## Marina Reader

#### **Long Beach Marinas**

Alamitos Bay Marina, Long Beach Shoreline Marina, and Rainbow Harbor Marina

### From the Manager

Welcome to 2019,

Hard to believe that it was 20 years ago when all we heard about was the impending Y2K digital end of the world. Planes didn't fall from the sky and the banking industry didn't crash as predicted. Instead we live in a digital culture, so much so that a few universities world-wide are offering degrees in Digital Culture. Just how much do we depend on or electronics? More than we realize. I left my house the other day without my phone and couldn't be bothered to turn around to get it. I thought, for years I ran errands without a phone, nothing needs to change. I accomplished my tasks however I had no clue what time it was. I haven't purchased a Thomas Guide in over 18 years, so I couldn't travel into unknown territory. Malls no longer have pay phones and that doesn't matter since I no longer memorize anyone's number nor address. Technology is an integral part of life and it is not always fun when things go wrong.

So, what's new for 2019 -

It was almost a year ago, when we introduced the idea of a new software system that would allow our customers to view their account on-line along with other features. As with all things technical, integration of systems takes time and often leads to challenges. The new implementation date for the system is February 2019. We continue to ask for your patience as we move forward. After hearing from many of you over time and working through potential issues and concerns, effective January 2019 your boat owner parking pass will be valid at both the LB Shoreline and Alamitos Bay Marina parking lots. Parking passes are not available at the opposite marina on holidays or during special events. Those of you with an ABM parking pass wishing to use the Shoreline lot will need to contact the Shoreline Marina Office at 562-570-4950 to obtain a parking gate FOB. You will need this to enter through Linden at all times or the Mole Road from 10 PM to 5 AM. The refundable deposit for the FOB will be \$26.00.

A draft of The Alamitos Bay Parking and Circulation Master Plan is near completion and ready to be shared. We are working with the consultant on logistics for a public presentation of the proposal and methods in which they can receive, review and incorporate boatowner feedback. Please be aware that a public meeting will be set in the next few weeks. All feedback is welcome. I urge you to attend the meeting and have your voice heard. Economic Development has a page on the City's website that outlines the purpose and contains a time line. Go to the City's website, under Departments click on Economic Development, then click on Real Estate Development. You will find it in the drop-down menu.

Thank you for being our customer, we enjoy getting to know you.

Until next time, Elvira Hallinan Manager, Marinas and Beaches

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## Tide Chart December 2018

Date	AM Ht.	PM Ht.	AM	Ht.	PM	Ht.
1 Tu		1:01 0.0	5:55	5.6	7:11	3.4
2 W	12:06 1.7	1:44 -0.4	6:33	5.8	8:04	3.5
3 Th	12:47 1.9	2:22 -0.6	7:08	5.9	8:47	3.6
4 F	1:25 2.0	2:57 -0.8	7:41	5.9	9:25	3.6
5 Sa	2:00 2.1	3:30 -0.8	8:13	5.8	10:00	3.6
6 Su	2:33 2.1	4:02 -0.7	8:45	5.7	10:34	3.6
7 M	3:06 2.2	4:35 -0.5	9:16	5.6	11:08	3.6
8 Tu	3:41 2.2	5:07 -0.3	9:48	5.3	11:45	3.6
9 W	4:18 2.3	5:41 -0.1	10:21	5.0		
10 Th	5:02 2.4	6:15 0.3	12:24	3.6		
			10:56	4.6		
11 F	5:58 2.5	6:52 0.6	1:07	3.6		
			11:36	4.1		
12 Sa	7:15 2.5	7:32 1.0	1:54	3.7	12:28	3.6
13 Su	8:56 2.3	8:18 1.3	2:42	3.9	1:49	3.1
14 M	10:30 1.8	9:13 1.6	3:30	4.2	3:45	2.8
15 Tu	11:35 1.1	10:13 1.8	4:16	4.6	5:28	2.8
16 W		12:24 0.4	5:00	5.0	6:39	3.0
17 Th		1:07 -0.3	5:44	5.5	7:32	3.3
18 F	12:04 1.9	1:48 -0.9	6:28	6.0	8:16	3.6
19 Sa	12:54 1.8	2:30 -1.4	7:12	6.4	8:58	3.8
20 Su	1:42 1.7	3:11 -1.7	7:57	6.7	9:39	4.0
21 M	2:31 1.5	3:53 -1.7	8:43	6.7	10:21	4.1
22 Tu	3:20 1.4	4:36 -1.6	9:30	6.6	11:05	4.3
23 W	4:13 1.4	5:19 -1.2	10:19	6.1	11:51	4.4
24 Th	5:12 1.5	6:04 -0.6	11:10	5.5		
25 F	6:19 1.5	6:50 0.0	12:40	4.5	12:07	4.7
26 Sa	7:40 1.5	7:40 0.7	1:34	4.5	1:18	3.8
27 Su	9:15 1.3	8:37 1.3	2:33	4.6	2:52	3.2
28 M	10:47 0.9	9:45 1.8	3:35	4.8	4:46	2.9
29 Tu	11:59 0.4	10:55 2.0	4:35	4.9	6:21	3.0
30 W		12:53 -0.1	5:29	5.1	7:25	3.3
		11:56 2.1				
31 Th		1:35 -0.4	6:15	5.3	8:09	3.4

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## **Upcoming Events**

#### **2019 Parking Passes In Effect**

January 1, 2019

### Mandatory Boater Card For Those Age 25 and Under

January 1, 2019

#### **Whale Watching Season**

Throughout winter, begins January

## The Marine Bureau wishes you a Happy New Year.

All offices will be closed on January 1

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#### **Important Phone Numbers**

**Long Beach Police** 911 or 9911 (Dock Phone) **Marine Patrol Emergency Non Emergency** (562) 435-6711 **Shoreline Office** (562) 570-4950 **Alamitos Bay Office** (562) 570-3215 **Rainbow Harbor Office** (562)570-8636 **Maintenance: During working hours** (562)570-1582 After office hours (562)570-3101

## Just Passing Through It's Whale Watching Season



When more than 15,000 Pacific Gray Whales migrate to winter feeding grounds in Mexico, they always include Long Beach in their itinerary of seaside cities. The whale's awesome journey

can be easily seen by boat in Long Beach's San Pedro Bay from now until mid April.

Pacific Grays make the 12,000 mile round-trip between their summer Arctic feeding grounds and winter breeding grounds, closely following the Aleutian Islands past British Columbia, along the Washington, Oregon and California coast to the shallow lagoons of Mexico's Baja California Peninsula.

By January whales begin arriving in Baja, first the pregnant females, then the mature breeding adults and finally the yearlings. The once imperiled Pacific Gray has fully recovered to pre-exploitation numbers since being listed under the Endangered Species Conservation Act of 1969. The federal government has removed the Pacific Gray whale from the list.

Pods of whales can be seen by individual skippers but the National Marine Fisheries Service wants to remind everyone of the following guidelines for whale watching.

- •Maintain a distance of at least 100 yards from the whales.
- •Whales should be followed in a parallel course, never cross a whale's path.
- •Never use a boat to separate a whale from its mother or to herd or drive whales.
- •Remember that causing a whale to change it's normal pattern, forcing it to take evasive action, such as diving, can be harmful to the whales and is a prosecutable offense.
- •Vessels should not operate at speeds faster than the slowest whale in the pod.
- •Maintain a constant speed and avoid changing either speed or direction until well away from the whales.

Whale watchers will find the opportunity to spot some migrating whales as they "spy hot" (poke their heads out of the water), breach (jump out of the water) and mate. For skippers who would rather leave the driving to the professional spout spotters, daily whale watching excursions depart from Rainbow Harbor Marina.

P.S. Sometimes a trick to seeing whales is to follow these professional boats. Many of them hire airplanes to go out and spot the herds before they leave port. So try tagging along, at a distance, of course.

## Three Feet Over, Two Feet Under Basin 2 and 3 Overhang Rule

For your safety, the revised allowable overhang and measurement rules in Basins 2 and 3 is as follows:

- •3-feet over and 2-feet under. Example: A 30-foot slip can accommodate a vessel between 28-feet 1-inch and 33-feet.
- •Measurements include all appendages including dinghies attached to davits, anchors, swim steps, etc.
- •Should you currently be assigned to a slip in Alamitos Bay, the revised rules will apply when you purchase a new vessel or request a transfer into a different slip within Alamitos Bay.
- •Should you currently be assigned to a slip in Shoreline or Rainbow Marina, the revised rules will apply when transferring to Alamitos Bay.

The allowable overhang and measurement rule for all other Basins in Alamitos Bay (Basins 1, 4, 5, 6, 7 & 8) are as follows:

- •Remains unchanged, for an overall length of 4-feet, 11-inches over the slip length.
- •Measurements include all appendages including dinghies attached to davits, anchors, swim steps, etc.
- •Should you request a transfer to a slip in Basins 2 or 3, the revised rule above will apply.

We are currently working on transfer requests, however due to these changes, it is important to have an accurate measurement on file to ensure your safety and proper slip assignments. If your transfer request is affected by these changes, we will contact you to discuss your options. Thank you for your patience.



#### **Resolve To Make A Positive Change With Our Environmental Policy**

### Let's Make An Impact

The beginning of a new year is often a time many people enjoy making New Year's Resolutions. Some want to lose weight, spend less money or be more patient with others. We suggest you consider our environment when making your New Year's resolution. Collectively we can make an impact; one person, one day, and one choice at a time. The marina environmental policies are very simplistic and don't require a great deal of effort. Let's work together to make our marinas safe and clean for everyone.

All vendors, companies, or individuals that work for compensation in the Long Beach marinas MUST have a City of Long Beach Business License and Marine Vendor Registration card in their possession. Marine vendor registration cards are required for each employee performing services in the marina.

Owners may undertake boat projects as needed to maintain their vessels' safety, appearance and utility, provided they are conducted in a debris and pollution free method. New or substantial exterior work, encompassing more than 25% of the hull or superstructure's surface must be reviewed by the Marine Bureau Manager prior to work commencing. Marina management encourages all vessel owners to adhere to the following best management practices. The basic rule

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to govern your boating activities is "Nothing from the boat goes into the water."

#### **ENGINES AND BILGES**

- •Schedules regular maintenance to engines to prevent leaks from hoses and lines.
  - •Use absorbent bilge pads to soak up oil and fuel.
- •Used oil absorbents must be disposed of as hazardous waste.
- •Dispose used gasoline and diesel fuel as hazardous waste.
- •Do no discharge bilge water if there is soap or sheen on the water.
- •Do not dispose any fuel or used oil in the marina's dumpsters.
  - Contact management for nearest recycling locations.
  - •Recycle oil and lead acid batteries.
- •Use of bilge pump out service or steam clean bilges to prevent oily discharge. Do not use detergents or emulsifiers in the bilge or on spills.

#### PAINTING AND VARNISHING

- •Limit the amount of open solvents or paints on the docks to one gallon.
  - •Always mix paints and epoxy over a tarp.
  - •Always use a drip pan or drop cloth.
- •Spray painting is not permitted within the Long Beach Marinas.
- •Use up remaining bits of paint by spreading on an old board.
- •Do not dispose of paint or solvents in the marina's dumpsters.
  - Contact management for nearest recycling locations.

#### **SURFACE PREPARATION**

- •No mechanical devices when cleaning vessels, HAND WASH ONLY.
  - •Use biodegradable and phosphate-free cleaner.
- •Liberally use tarps to capture all scraping, debris, and drips.

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- •Stretch tarps between side of boat and dock when working over the water.
- •Vacuum dust and debris every time you move the tarp or every hour.
  - •Reverse the boat in the slip to work on the far side.
  - ·Use vacuum sanders with attached collection bags.
- •No detergents will be used that contain: ammonia, sodium, hypochlorite, chlorinated solvents, petroleum distillates, or lye.

#### **SEWAGE**

- Untreated sewage should never be discharged directly overboard.
- •Store sewage in holding tanks and dispose of properly at a pump-out station.
- •Contact management for the phone numbers of commercial pump-out services.
  - •Do not discharge Type 1 while moored in the marina.
  - •Use shore-side facilities as often as possible.

#### SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL

- •Dispose of all garbage in proper shore-side receptacles.
- •Let empty cans dry thoroughly before disposing in the trash
  - •Recycle glass, newspapers and aluminum and plastics.

#### **CHEMICAL STORAGE**

- •Purchase only the amount of chemical/paints you need for the project.
- •Review storage of paints and solvents every six months, and properly dispose of old or unnecessary products.
- •Do not store more than two gallons total of paint and solvents
- •All dock boxes are subject to inspections by the Marine Bureau.

#### **HULL CLEANING**

- Use non-toxic and legal hull paints.
- •Use the proper application of hull paint.
- •Wait 90 days after applying new bottom paint before underwater hull cleaning.
- •Schedule regular hull cleaning and maintenance, no paint should b removed when cleaning.
  - •Ensure that your cleaning or Maintenance service use
  - •Underwater Hull Cleaner's Best Management Practices.
- •No mechanical devices when cleaning vessels HAND WASH ONLY.

#### PARKING LOTS

- •Do not discharge any waste (solid or liquid) from a vehicle
- •Do not sleep in a vehicle.
- •Do not make repairs, except in case of an emergency.
- •Use bilge pads, or a drop cloth to capture any fluids from your vehicle.
  - •Do not wash your vehicle in the parking lots.

Keeping the marinas clean requires a partnership between the boat owners, vendors, and marina employees. Having a clean marina is good for everyone, so when making your New Year's resolution think of the environment and the impact you can make.

## A New Years Means New Parking Passes

Attention ALL Marina Boaters: Do You Have Your 2019 Parking Passes? Effective January 1, 2019, motor vehicles parked in the marina parking lots overnight or using spaces designated for marina boat owners are required to display 2019 parking passes in order to avoid a citation.

Slip permittees and their spouses (as listed on file with the Marina Office) may pick up parking passes. Additional parties, who are percentage ownership partners on a vessel (as listed on file with the Marina Office), may also pick up their individual parking passes (one pass per partner).

Parking passes will be issued daily during normal business hours. The Alamitos Bay Marine and Shoreline Marina offices are open Monday through Friday from 7:30 AM to 5:30 PM and Sunday from 7:30 AM to 4:30 PM for your convenience.

When you visit the office to pick up your new passes please bring the following items:

- •Completed permittee information sheet-(Some permit files require updating, and collecting up-to-date customer information as part of the parking pass distribution process helps our office maintain your customer records as correct and complete).
- •Current permittee vehicle registration (The parking passes will not be vehicle specific but having this information on-file allows Marine Patrol quicker access to your information in the event of a problem).
  - Current vessel registration/documentation.
- •Current insurance certificate with valid P & I or watercraft liability coverage with limits of at least \$300,000.

As a reminder, Marine Patrol will cite any vehicle that does not have their current decal beginning January 1, 2019.

If you have any questions please contact your marina office. Office telephone number are as follows: Long Beach Shoreline (562) 570-4950, Alamitos Bay (562) 570-3215, and Rainbow Harbor (562) 570-8636.

# Superintendent Kurt Borsting Sails On To Newport

After three short years as the Marine Bureau Superintendent, Kurt Borsting has left the City of Long Beach and will be overseeing the newly developed marina operation in Newport Beach. In his short time with us Kurt made a positive impact on our operation. He will be missed and we wish him the best on his new adventure.

## Rules and Regulations Sale of Vessel

#### Non Transferability of Permit:

A Permittee shall not give, sell, assign, or transfer, or attempt to give, sell, assign, or transfer, whether voluntarily or involuntarily, the use of a designated slip, mooring, or other berthing facility, the permit therefor or any interest therein.

Any agreement, whether oral or in writing, between Permittee and any other person, firm, or entity made in connection (i) with the use of a designated slip, mooring, or other berthing facility by a person other than the Permittee, (ii) with the use of a designated slip, mooring, or other berthing facility by a vessel other than one owned by the Permittee, (iii) with the transfer or ownership of or an interest in a vessel, or (iv) with a transfer of an interest in a corporation or partnership (general or limited) or joint venture owning a vessel, by which agreement Permittee attempts to give, sell, assign, or otherwise transfer the permit, an interest therein, or the right to use the designated slip shall be void and shall constitute grounds for cancellation of the permit.

In the event of the death of the Permittee, the permit may be transferred to the surviving spouse or legally recognized domestic partner, upon transfer of title to the vessel to such person within one hundred twenty (120) days after the Permittee's death. Failure to comply within the time frame shall result in the cancellation of the slip permit.

#### Sale of Permittee's Vessel:

A Permittee may retain his or her designated slip for a period of thirty (30) days after transferring title to or agreeing to sell his or her vessel provided:

- 1. Permittee shall notify the Marine Bureau in writing within five (5) days of the date Permittee enters into an agreement for the sale of the vessel and his or her intent to acquire another vessel of the appropriate length for occupancy of the slip.
- 2. Permittee shall pay slip fees equal to the amount specified in his or her permit for the vessel sold pending the acquisition of another vessel.

An extension of an additional period, not to exceed ninety (90) days may be granted by the Manager upon submission by Permittee the proof of a contract to purchase or construct another vessel.

If Permittee does not acquire and accept delivery of another vessel of appropriate length for the assigned slip within the ninety (90) day period the permit shall be cancelled by the Manager.

Should the last day of the initial thirty (30) day period fall on or is prior to the fifth (5th) day of a month, the date of cancellation shall be effective the last day of that month. If the last day of the initial thirty (30) day period falls after the fifth (5th) day of the month, the cancellation shall be deemed effective on the last day of the following month.

Permittee shall remain liable to the City for all slip fees accruing prior to the date of cancellation. Permittee shall notify the Marine Bureau in writing within five (5) days of any change of ownership in his or her vessel resulting from a gift, sale, lease, withdrawal, addition, or substitution of partners, the sale or transfer of stock in a closely held corporate owner of the vessel or a change of officers or directors of a closely held corporation owning the vessel.

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